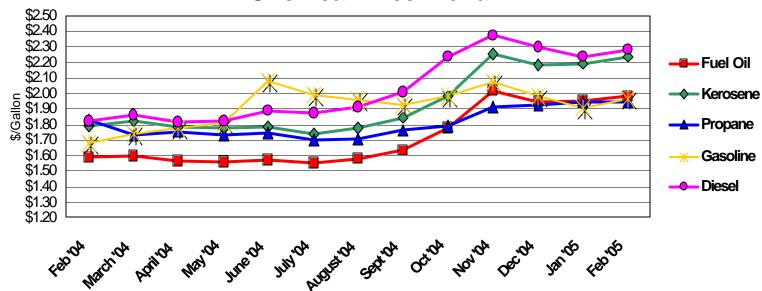
## Vermont Fuel Price Report

February 2005





	Average Retail				
	Feb '05	Jan '05	%change	Feb '04	%change
No. 2 Fuel Oil	\$1.98	\$1.95	1.61%	\$1.59	24.48%
Kerosene	\$2.23	\$2.19	2.16%	\$1.79	24.90%
Propane	\$1.94	\$1.94	-0.16%	\$1.83	6.13%
Reg. Unleaded Gasoline	\$1.96	\$1.90	3.21%	\$1.68	16.82%
Diesel	\$2.28	\$2.23	1.99%	\$1.82	25.07%

## **Petroleum Update**

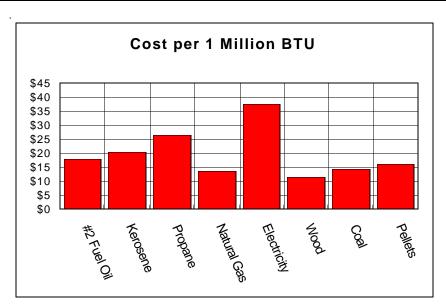
The Energy Information Administration (EIA) has reported that as of February 7, 2005 the national average retail price of regular gasoline was up to \$1.91 per gallon, an increase of 13 cents from last month. The average retail gasoline price in New England was slightly higher at \$1.94 per gallon.

National retail diesel prices increased to \$1.98 per gallon. Diesel prices in New England remained higher then the rest of the U.S. with an average price of \$2.22 per gallon.

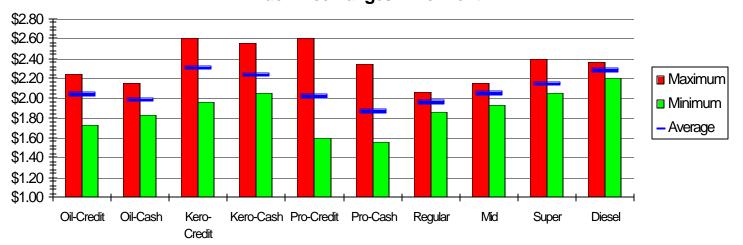
The national average residential heating oil price has increased to \$2.02 per gallon. The New England average heating oil price is \$1.99, which coincides with the current average discounted heating oil price in Vermont. The national average residential propane price remained stable at \$1.73 per gallon. Although the Vermont average propane price is higher then the national average, it also remained stable with no increase from last month.

Additional information is available in the EIA "Short-Term Energy Outlook" and "This Week In Petroleum" at www.eia.doe.gov.

Comparing the Cost of Heating Fuels							
Type of Energy	BTU/unit	Adj Effic	\$/unit	\$/MMBtu			
Fuel Oil, gallon	138,200	80%	\$1.98	\$17.89			
Kerosene, gallon	136,600	80%	\$2.23	\$20.45			
Propane, gallon	91,600	80%	\$1.94	\$26.46			
Natural Gas, therm	100,000	80%	\$1.08	\$13.50			
Electricity, kwh	3,412	100%	\$0.13	\$37.51			
Wood, cord (green)	22,000,000	60%	\$150.00	\$11.36			
Coal, ton	24,000,000	60%	\$207.00	\$14.38			
Pellets, ton	16,400,000	80%	\$210.00	\$16.01			



## **Fuel Price Ranges in Vermont**



NOTE: The Vermont Fuel Price Report is published monthly by the Vermont Department of Public Service. Prices are collected on or about the first Monday of each month and reflect dealer discounts for cash or self-service, except propane prices, which are an average of the credit and discount price. For more information please contact Kelly Launder at 1-800-642-3281 or (802) 828-4039 or by email at kelly.launder@state.vt.us.